

To all Forestry Commission Forest Management Directors and British Orienteering Clubs

Forestry Commission/British Orienteering National Agreement 2012

FC and British Orienteering have an important relationship built over many years. Orienteering encourages active recreation in woodlands that provide an ideal setting for the sport. As you are aware the national staff of the Forestry Commission and British Orienteering put in place an interim National Agreement for 2011. The purpose of this interim agreement is to provide opportunity to establish a longstanding National Agreement that meets the objectives of both partners.

We are continuing to work on a longer term partnership that will reflect

- a shift away from charges and formal permission process for small events and training
- greater self management of orienteering events to reduce paperwork for both orienteering clubs and the Forestry Commission
- an evening out of charges within categories to establish more equitable charges

Due to a busy year for FC and British Orienteering we have agreed to roll over charges for a further year but hope to launch a new agreement sometime during 2012.

Charges 1 Jan 2012 to 31 Dec 2012

Participants	Major Events Level A	National Level B	Regional Level C	Local Level D
25 or less	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge	No Charge
26 to 99	200	125	100	50
100 to 249	500	250	150	50
250 to 499	1000	400	200	75
500 to 999	1500	600	300	150
1000+	2300	800	450	250

Notes

1. The process for small training, coaching and events with 25 people or less is to be simplified. Organisers will email their Forestry Commission Manager with dates and locations to have them placed into the event diary. An acknowledgement receipt will be returned but no formal permission process or issue of a formal permission will take place. The organiser will be responsible for all site checks. Forestry Commission will not guarantee that other events and activities are not taking place on the same day.
2. British Orienteering will provide the Forestry Commission with data on the number, gender and age of participants (and ideally ethnicity if possible).
3. All events booked between 1 January and 31 December will be charged at these rates. Orienteering events are exempt from VAT

If you have any questions please contact the appropriate person.

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